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Sir:

PETITION TO EXTEND

Petition is hereby made to extend the life of the above-entitled application (which qualifies as a Small Entity) for two (2) months from the due date of November 23, 2004, of the Official Action dated August 23, 2004.

An extension fee of \$225.00 is now attached in order that a Request for a continuation-in-part application may be filed herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our **Account No. 14-1140**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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